

## **Enhancing Education Through Technology (E2T2) Newsletter**

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## What is E2T2?

**Enhancing Education Through Technology**, commonly referred to as **E2T2**, was established as a part of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, Public Law, 107-110, Title II, Part D, Section 2401. Under this federal program, the South Carolina Department of Education awards sub-grants to eligible school districts and school district partnerships. The purpose of the E2T2 grant is to improve student academic achievement through the effective integration of technology.

The following three goals are cited in the guidelines accompanying the documentation of Title II, Part D, Section 2401:

- 1. Improve student achievement through the use of technology
- 2. Assist every student to become technologically literate by the end of the eighth grade
- **3.** Encourage the effective integration of technology to help facilitate goals one and two

## **Competitive Grant**

Eligible district applicants for the Competitive grant must have a high need for the technology and a poverty percentage of 20.24 of higher (based on the poverty line defined by the US Office of Management and Budget).

Competitive grant projects use technology coaches and student laptops as the primary vehicles for integrating technology into the learning environment to improve student achievement as well as technology literacy. More information of the grant and its projects is available at <a href="http://ed.sc.gov/agency/offices/tech/edtechgrant/index.html">http://ed.sc.gov/agency/offices/tech/edtechgrant/index.html</a>

2008 Competitive Grant Recipients:	
New	Continuation
Barnwell 19 (\$200,000)	Dillon 1 (\$80,000)
Chester (\$182,285)	Lexington 4 (\$80,000)
Marion 2 (\$200,000)	Chesterfield (\$80,000)
Marion 7 (\$200,000)	Horry (\$69,053)
Bamberg 1 (\$200,000)	Georgetown (\$80,000)
Dillon 3 (\$200,000)	Florence 3 (\$80,000)
Hampton 2 (\$176,951)	
Laurens 56 (\$180,642)	

## **Formula Grant**

The SC Department of Education has received its annual award from the US Department of Education, and districts will receive notification of their formula allocation upon availability of the application. Formula funds are distributed based on Title I counts, and 86 districts in South Carolina have been allotted grant money. Total funds available amount to \$1,830,253.36.

In addition to the completion of the <u>2008 Technology Counts Survey</u> and <u>SCDE-approved technology plan</u>, districts are required to <u>assess all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and K-12 personnel</u> in the district.

Formula grant information for this year is available at the above website. The deadline for applications is October 10, 2008.